



**APPROVED**

**ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ADVISORY BOARD  
CITY OF SCOTTSDALE  
7447 E. INDIAN SCHOOL ROAD, SUITE 105  
SCOTTSDALE, ARIZONA  
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2005**

**SUMMARIZED REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**PRESENT:**

Daniel Basinger, Chairman  
Don Manthe, Vice-Chairman  
Jimmy Leung, Board Member  
Brian Munson, Board Member  
Michele Cohen, Board Member  
Ron Hand, Board Member  
Jay Spector, Board Member

**ABSENT:**

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Larry Person  
Michael Authment  
Deborah Miles

**APPLICANTS:**

William Lieberman  
Bill Gill  
Michael Miller  
Brian Munson

**1      CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Environmental Quality Advisory Board was called to order by Chairman Basinger at 5:23 p.m.

**2      ROLL CALL AND APPROVAL OF 11/16/05 MEETING MINUTES**

A formal roll call confirmed the members present as stated above.

Vice-Chairman Manthe moved to approve the Minutes of the November 16, 2005 meeting. There being no second, Vice-Chairman Manthe withdrew the motion.

It was noted that Board Members did not previously receive and review the November Meeting Minutes, therefore, approval of the November Meeting Minutes is postponed to the next scheduled meeting of the Environmental Quality Advisory Board.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

4. **LEED GOLD POLICY UPDATE**

Chairman Basinger noted that Mr. Skidmore received a request to examine the possibility of solar energy use at the Chaparral Plant.

5. **SUSTAINABILITY INDICATORS REPORT**

Mr. Authment reflected that there was nothing new to report, however, the project is moving along on schedule.

Mr. Person stated that the graphic design team is currently working on the print project.

Chairman Basinger requested that the Board be given the opportunity to review the draft materials at the next scheduled meeting.

6. **CITY'S EMS PROCESS UPDATE**

Mr. Person addressed the Board, noting that 75 audits have been completed. With the exception of two (2) audits that still need to be conducted, the process is virtually complete.

7. **REVIEW AND RECOMMEND EQAB MEMBER APPLICATIONS TO MAYOR/COUNCIL**

Chairman Basinger informed Board Members that Mr. Bell has withdrawn his application. Chairman Basinger read a letter authored by Mr. Bell into the record.

Chairman Basinger indicated that Mr. Malloy informed him via email that he was unable to change his schedule to attend the December 21, 2005 meeting.

Vice-Chairman Manthe noted the presence of four applicants: William Lieberman, Bill Gill, Michael Miller, and Brian Munson.

Chairman Basinger read an email from Mr. James Malloy into the record. He stated that Mr. Malloy is the Business Development Manager, Energy and Environmental Solutions, Southwest District for Semen's Technology, Inc. This letter is in direct response to Mr. Malloy's application for membership on the Environmental Quality Advisory Board.

Vice-Chairman Manthe opened the floor for introductions by the Applicants present at the meeting. Vice-Chairman Manthe also requested that each Applicant answer the

following: What are the environmental challenges facing Scottsdale? And, how can you contribute to EQAB's mission and objectives?

Mr. Miller addressed the Board. Mr. Miller is the owner of Miller and Associates, Environmental Brokers. He opined that managing the growth of the City of Scottsdale is a major environmental issue. He informed the Board of various environmentally conscious projects that his company has participated in. He informed the Board of various environmental achievements as President of his HOA. He further stated that as a member of the Board, he would be of use as a major source of legislative and professional contact for the Board.

Bill Gill addressed the Board. Mr. Gill holds both a Bachelor's and a Master's Degree in Geology. He is currently in a high ranking management position for a national environmental consulting company, which does testing for ground water and soil contamination. He further indicated that he has worked directly with governmental agencies in addressing environmental issues. He opined that an environmental issue for Scottsdale is the finite resources available to the city, such as water and land. He stated that he would be able to offer his scientific expertise to the Board if his application were to be approved.

Mr. Lieberman addressed the Board. He stated that he has previous experience on the Environmental Board in Rochester, New York, in which he worked on specific projects to improve the environment of various locations of that city. In doing so, he worked directly with the contractors and engineers involved in the projects. He opined that water is the main environmental issue for the City of Scottsdale. He discussed his experience working with the highway department as it relates to various environmental issues such as air pollution and landscape changes.

Mr. Munson addressed the Board. Mr. Munson holds a Master's Degree in Geography, as well as a Master's Degree in Business Administration. He stated that he has approximately 30 years of environmental experience, noting that his most recent public sector experience was as the Director of Water Quality and ADEQ. His experience includes regulatory work, dealing with regulators and environmental matters, and doing environmental investigation, auditing environmental compliance and management systems. His volunteer experience includes being a current Board Member of the Environmental Quality Advisory Board over the course of the previous two years. He opined that the most pressing environmental issues for the City of Scottsdale are water and growth. He concluded by stating that his contributions to the Board as a member would include his stated experience, insight into regulatory affairs, his knowledge of the Board as a current member, and his broad perspective of things.

Chairman Basinger reported that Mr. Naun has not responded to the invitation to attend this meeting. Noting that Mr. Naun verbally withdrew his application to one staff member, but the withdrawal was not actually recorded; Mr. Naun's intentions are currently unknown.

Chairman Basinger explained the process for recommendation and approval of new members. He indicated that two more review processes will occur within 2006. He instructed the Applicants to view the City of Scottsdale web page, subheading Boards and Commissions to obtain a schedule.

Vice-Chairman Manthe explained that the City Council reviews the recommendations of the Board, however, EQAB's recommendations are not the final decision.

Discussion ensued regarding the process for recommending applicants to City Council.

Vice-Chairman Manthe recommend Mr. Munson and Mr. Gill to fill the current openings on the Environmental Quality Advisory Committee .

Chairman Basinger recommended Mr. Munson and Mr. Malloy to fill the current openings on the Environmental Quality Advisory Committee .

Board Member Cohen recommended Mr. Munson and Mr. Malloy to fill the current openings on the Environmental Quality Advisory Committee .

Board Member Lueng recommended Mr. Munson and Mr. Malloy to fill the current openings on the Environmental Quality Advisory Committee .

Board Member Spector recommended Mr. Munson and Mr. Miller to fill the current openings on the Environmental Quality Advisory Committee .

Board Member Hand recommended Mr. Gill and Mr. Munson to fill the current openings on the Environmental Quality Advisory Committee .

Board Member Munson abstained from offering his recommendation.

Vice-Chairman Manthe reiterated the comments of other Board Members, stating that the list of applicants was the strongest the Board has had.

Mr. Person indicated the final recommendations as follows: Mr. Munson received six (6) recommendation; Mr. Malloy received three (3) recommendations; Mr. Gill received two (2) recommendations; Mr. Miller received one (1) recommendation; two (2) abstentions in the vote were noted.

Chairman Basinger explained the next step in the recommendation process.  
Mr. Person clarified that the recommendations will be based on the current applicant pool only.

All Applicants departed the meeting.

Discussion ensued regarding the procedure for interviewing the applicants, as well as the voting process.

Mr. Person recommended that the Board maintain their individual copies of the applicant packets due to the fact that the applications are kept on file for a period of one (1) year by the City of Scottsdale, and therefore could be presented to the Board as future openings occur.

In response to comments by Board Member Spector, Chairman Basinger recommended placing the topic of public participation on the agenda for the next scheduled meeting.

8. **ENVIROKIDSFEST '06 UPDATE**

Mr. Person announced that EnviroKidsFest is scheduled to occur on Thursday, April 20th. An initial mailing was sent to public, private, charter and Home schools physically located in the City of Scottsdale and opened the event for registration. Within two (2) days of the mailing, the afternoon session was 100 percent full and 40 percent of the first session was filled; over 700 students registered in a two (2) day period.

Mr. Person noted that the children will be required to bring their own lunches to the event, resulting in an issue of how to handle the solid waste.

9. **NOMINATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AWARD FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ADVISORY BOARD**

Board Member Cohen distributed an article from the Arizona Republic regarding a Junior at Saguaro High School, named Steven Kann. The young man worked in conjunction with Deborah Miles to pilot a program to reduce the amount of non-recyclable waste that is being deposited in recycle containers throughout the City of Scottsdale. He and other members of his Scout Troop did this by placing stickers on the containers which reminded residents not to place plastic bags into the containers. There was a 50 percent reduction in the number of plastic bags placed into the containers.

Ms. Miles addressed the Board and presented an overview of the project.

Ms. Miles indicated that because the project was an Eagle Scout Project, young Mr. Kann was required to coordinate the project without the assistance of staff and noted that he specifically had to locate vendors and volunteers willing to participate in the project.

Board Member Spector requested that Ms. Miles provide the Board with the cost figures for funding a city-wide project similar to the one done by Steven Kann. Ms. Miles indicated she would provide these numbers to the Board.

Ms. Miles requested that the Board nominate Steven Kann for an environmental award.

**BOARD MEMBER COHEN NOMINATED STEVEN KANN FOR AN ENVIRONMENTAL AWARD FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ADVISORY BOARD IN THE CITY OF SCOTTSDALE. THE NOMINATION WAS SECONDED BY BOARD MEMBER SPECTOR. THE NOMINATION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOTE OF SEVEN (7) TO ZERO (0).**

Board Member Munson suggested having Mayor Mary Manross present the award to Steven Kann. Chairman Basinger indicated that he would speak with Mayor Manross regarding this issue.

10. **PRESENTATION ON ASU/SCOTTSDALE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Mr. Gawf addressed the Board and distributed a printed copy of the PowerPoint presentation previously presented to the Planning Commission. He indicated that the project has been presented to the City Council, as well. He reviewed the key issues as

noted in the PowerPoint presentation, and suggested that Board Members review the key issues in further detail at their own convenience.

Mr. Gawf offered to have Ms. Christy Tenact present the information regarding the water cooling feature that has been designed for the complex.

Chairman Basinger reported on a meeting with Don Couviant from ASU and Joe Wheeler from Sundt Construction that was also attended by Chuck Skidmore and Michael Clack.

In response to a question by Board Member Spector regarding onsite waste recycling, Mr. Basinger informed that recycling construction materials are being discussed by the participants of the project at this time.

Discussion ensued regarding current city codes that are in place with regard to public use of water.

Mr. Gawf continued the overview of the PowerPoint presentation, addressing the changes made to Skysong at the Planning Commission meeting.

Discussion ensued regarding the expectations for the building structures.

Mr. Gawf indicated that the developer is responsible for any funding needed beyond the City of Scottsdale's contribution of \$44.5 million.

Addressing a question by Board Member Spector regarding the use of similar structures throughout the City of Scottsdale, Mr. Gawf noted that at this point, the idea of Skysong is to have a feature unique to the ASU/F site.

Discussion ensued regarding the use of shade in the promenade areas of other facilities.

Discussion ensued regarding how the issue of requesting LEED Certification of future commercial construction projects within the City be addressed.

Board Member Leung suggested that recognition for LEED Certification would be an effective marketing tool. In response, Mr. Gawf indicated that this particular Developer is more concerned with final numbers than recognition.

Discussion ensued regarding various marketing strategies for having other developers construct LEED Certified buildings in the future.

Discussion ensued regarding the long term goals of the project.

#### **11. RECOMMEND LIST OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR MAYOR/COUNCIL APPROVAL**

Chairman Basinger requested that this topic be postponed for discussion at the next scheduled meeting.

Chairman Basinger reported that subcommittee members must be approved by the Mayor and City Council prior to appointment.

In response to an inquiry by Board Member Munson, Chairman Basinger and Mr. Person confirmed that each City of Scottsdale Board is required to review purpose, powers and duties.

12. **REVIEW EQAB'S PURPOSE, POWERS AND DUTIES**

Mr. Person addressed the handout distributed to Board Members which included the purpose, powers and duties of the Environmental Quality Advisory Board; SRC Div 8 Sect. 2.301.; and Bylaws of the Board.

Chairman Basinger informed the Board that the Scottsdale Revised Code could be viewed on the City of Scottsdale official website.

Mr. Person requested that all comments suggestions be presented at the next scheduled meeting.

Chairman Basinger requested that Board Members specifically review SRC, Div. 8, Sect. 2.303, after which the Board Bylaws should be reviewed and potentially revised. Furthermore, recommendations could be made to Mayor and Council regarding potential modifications to the SRC.

Discussion ensued regarding the authority of the Board according to the current code, and what changes, if any, should be made to the Code and/or Board Bylaws.

Board Member Spector suggested forming a subcommittee to address the aforementioned issue or Code and Bylaw changes.

Chairman Basinger requested that the topic of appointing a subcommittee be agendized for the next scheduled meeting.

Discussion ensued regarding the last revisions the Board made to their charter and the process for making the new revisions.

Chairman Basinger suggested that the Board devote the majority of the next meeting to this topic.

13. **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**GREEN BUILDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

The report was offered by Board Member Cohen. She indicated that the GBAC Retreat will occur in two scheduled meetings; the first being January 10, 2006 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Mr. Frank Gray from the Planning and Development Department will lead the retreat. There will also be representation from community and neighborhood resources at the initial retreat meeting. The second meeting will be held to review the information received at the first meeting, and to establish goals for 2006.

Board Member Cohen reported that Scottsdale Design Day will be held February 25, 2006 at Coronado High School.

Board Member Cohen reported that the Green Building Lecture will be held January 6, 2006.

**ENERGY COMMITTEE**

None

**WATER COMMITTEE**

Board Member Munson reported that he would be attending the Waters of the West Conference being held January 12 through 13, 2006 in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Chairman Basinger requested that a report from Board Member Munson regarding the conference be placed on the agenda for the next scheduled meeting.

14. **UPDATES AND REMINDERS**

The next Green Building Lecture Series, Home Improvement and Home Remodeling, will be held January 6, 2006.

Household Hazardous Waste will be held Saturday, January 14, 2006. Chairman Basinger requested volunteers.

Electronics Recycling Collection Event will be held Saturday, February 11, 2006.

The next scheduled meeting of the Environmental Quality Advisory Board will occur on January 18, 2006. The annual officer's election will take place at this meeting.

Board Member Spector reminded the Board that the legislature is back in session on January 9, 2006, at which time the Governor will be delivering her State of the State address. He further indicated that a variety of water bills may be introduced, as well as arsenic related legislation drafted and/or introduced.

Board Member Munson inquired about the last time strategic planning was done by the Board. He suggested that such should occur when the new board members begin their appointment. Chairman Basinger suggested that a point in time in the spring may be appropriate.

15. **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
A/V Tronics, Inc.